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Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 Expedited Procedure

In re application of: Kovacs et al.

Application No. 09/762,724

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IDENTIFICATION OF A REGION OF THE

MAJOR SURFACE GLYCOPROTEIN

(MSG) GENE OF HUMAN PNEUMOCYSTIS CARINII

Examiner: Jeanine Anne Goldberg

Date: April 24, 2003

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
For	No. after amendment	No. paid for previously		Present Extra	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	17	- 45*	=	0	\$18.00	\$ 0.00
Indep. Claims	2	3**	=	0	\$84.00	\$ 0.00
Mult. Dep. Claims Fee (if not previously paid) \$2					\$280.00	
One-month Extension of Time					\$110.00	
Two-month Extension of Time \$410.00						
Three-month Extension of Time \$930.00						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$0.00

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No additional fee is required.

- \boxtimes Please charge any additional fees that may be required in connection with filing this amendment and any extension of time, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4550. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- \boxtimes A Marked-up Version of Amended Claims in conformance with the "Notification of Requested New Format for Amendments and/or Responses Filed in Art Units 1634, 2827, and 2834" is included in the Response. Accordingly, the Commissioner agrees to waive the requirement to provide two sets of claims (a clean version and a marked up version) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.121(c).
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

This is a response to the Final Office action dated February 3, 2003. A three-month period for response was set, making a response due on or before May 3, 2003; because this date falls on a Saturday, a response filed on or before Monday, May 5, 2003 is considered timely. It is believed that no fees are required in connection with this filing; however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be required to the deposit account referenced on the accompanying transmittal letter.

In conformance with the "Notification of Requested New Format for Amendments and/or Responses Filed in Art Units 1634, 2827, and 2834" (Notification) each section of this response (*i.e.*, claim amendments, remarks and conclusions) begins on a separate page. Moreover, the claim amendments made herein conform to the new format set forth in the Notification. Accordingly, the Commissioner agrees to waive the requirement to provide two sets of claims (a clean version and a marked up version) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.121(c).